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## MAIL STOP - AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## RESPONSE TO UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE EXAMINER'S ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

## I. <u>Introduction</u>

On June 2, 2006, an United States Patent and Trademark Office Examiner's Action ("Action") was issued. In the Action, the examiner set a shortened statutory period for response of three (3) months, *i.e.*, to September 2, 2006. With the filing of this Response, Applicant is also filing a Request for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a three-month extension of the deadline, *i.e.*, until December 2, 2006. December 2, 2006, fell on a Saturday. Accordingly, the filing of the Response on December 4, 2006, with a Certificate of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. §1.8 is timely under 37 C.F.R. § 1.7.